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Dominican Republic, Malta and Austria: draft resolution

Implementation of the International Plan of Action on Ageing

The General Assembly,

Mindful of the growing concern of the international community with the issues related to population and individual ageing,

Noting with satisfaction the clear conceptful framework of the United Nations programme on ageing, revealed in the United Nations Principles for Older Persons, 1/ the global targets on ageing for the year 2001 2/ and the Proclamation on Ageing, 3/ to further the implementation of the International Plan of Action on Ageing, 4/

Recalling General Assembly resolution 47/5 of 16 October 1992, by which it decided to observe the year 1999 as the International Year of Older Persons,

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1/ See resolution 46/91, annex.

2/ See A/47/339, sect. III.

3/ See resolution 47/5, annex.

4/ See Report of the World Assembly on Ageing, Vienna, 26 July-6 August 1982 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.82.I.16), chap. VI.

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1993/22, of 27 July 1993, which invited Member States to strengthen their national mechanisms on ageing, inter alia, to enable them to serve as national focal points for the preparation and observance of the International Year of Older Persons,

Noting the recent measures aimed at consolidating the social and economic activities of the United Nations,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General on the third review and appraisal of the implementation of the International Plan of Action on Ageing; 5/

2. Endorses the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the third review and appraisal of the Implementation of the International Plan of Action on Ageing, in the form of global and national targets on ageing for the year 2001, aimed at streamlining the implementation of the International Plan of Action on Ageing in its second decade;

3. Calls upon the Secretary-General to maintain the integrity and the identity of the United Nations programme on ageing;

4. Commends the International Institute on Ageing on its training programme and related activities, and invites national, regional and international organizations to cooperate closely with the Institute;

5. Urges the United Nations, Member States and non-governmental organizations to support the African Society of Gerontology in developing and implementing a regional programme of activities on ageing;

6. Invites interested Member States, non-governmental organizations and research centres to support the activities of the United Nations programme on ageing, particularly research activities aimed at suggesting policy options to enhance contributions by the elderly to development;

7. Welcomes the decision of the General Assembly, in its resolution 47/5, to observe 1999 as the International Year of Older Persons;

8. Invites Governments, non-governmental organizations as well as bodies and organizations of the United Nations concerned with ageing to submit to the Secretary-General their proposals for the preparations for and observance of the International Year of Older Persons;

9. Calls upon the Secretary-General to draft a programme for the preparations and observance of the International Year of Older Persons and to submit it, through the Commission for Social Development at its thirty-fourth session in 1995, for consideration by the General Assembly at its fiftieth session in 1995.

5/ E/CN.5/1993/7.